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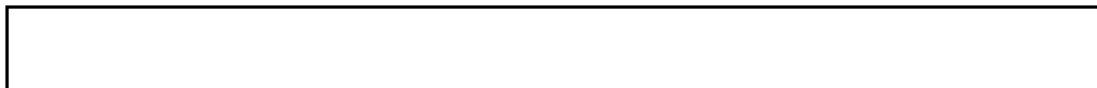
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Additional Border Controls in the Soviet Far East, South of Vladivostok

During the past year, the Soviets have cleared additional border control strips along the narrow neck of Chinese territory which juts between the USSR and North Korea south of Vladivostok (see Figure 2). Construction of these new cleared zones was first noted on [REDACTED] photography and was completed by [REDACTED]

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For several years, the Soviets have maintained a 30 to 100-foot-wide strip of cleared land as well as a number of probable border guard stations along this portion of the border. In the past year, they cleared a second strip, 24 nm long, roughly parallel to the first but behind it, between the border and the single-track Soviet rail line leading to North Korea. A wire fence has been constructed down the middle of this second cleared zone.

A third strip, 5 nm long, was cleared across a river valley between the second strip and the border. The presence of this third cleared area may be due to the ease of movement along the valley, or to the irregularity of the border in this locality.

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